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In re Application of :
Zomer et al. : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 10/657,508 :
Filed: September 8, 2003 :
Atty Docket No. 089918-020600 :

This is a decision on the PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed February 26, 2008.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a reply to the non-final Office action mailed August 23, 2007. This Office action set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months, with extensions of time obtainable under § 1.136(a). No reply considered timely filed and no extension of time considered obtained, the application became abandoned effective November 24, 2007. A courtesy Notice of Abandonment was mailed on April 24, 2008.

The petition includes the required reply in the form of an amendment, the statement of unintentional delay and payment of the petition fee. No terminal disclaimer is required.

Technology Center AU 1623 has been advised of this decision. The application is, thereby, forwarded to the examiner for consideration of the reply submitted on petition filed February 26, 2008.

The petition also includes a payment of the fee of \$1050 for extension for response within the third month. The maximum period for extension for response to the Notice ended on February 23, 2008. Thereafter, no extension of time could be obtained. As no extension of time is obtainable, the fee for such extension is being refunded to Deposit Account No. 50-1561, as authorized.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3219.

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